



# Reception Newsletter



Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Our classroom has been a hive of activity this week and the children have loved learning about birds. Many thanks for sending in the toilet roll tubes – we are still collecting for next week as some children are yet to make their bird feeders.

## What have we been up to?

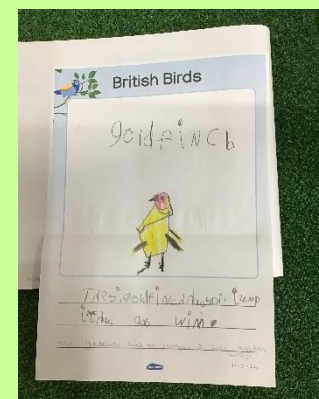
This week we have been learning about birds as oviparous animals, with a focus on garden birds. We wanted to find out which types of birds were common in our school environment, so we set up a bird-watching camp on the front lawn...



We thought of ways to attract birds to our environment. We made fabulous bird feeders and decorated bird boxes for our playground...



We looked at photographs of different garden birds and used our language skills to describe them...



## World Book Day

We had great fun celebrating World Book Day on Wednesday. A huge well done to all the children (and mummies) for their fabulous costumes. We spent the day enjoying everything about books and also got to act out the story of *Where the Wild Things are* in a drama workshop.



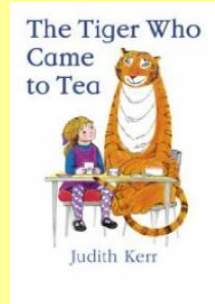
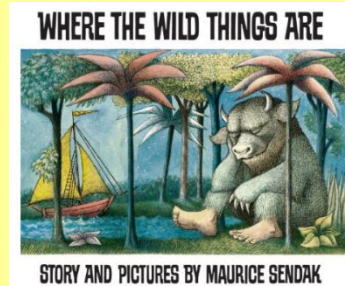
## Phonics

We have continued to read longer words by 'chunking' which means to break up and read it one part (chunk) at a time, to avoid being overwhelmed and to ease the process of blending. We have been practising our phase 2 and 3 tricky words.



## Recommended Books and Rhymes

(Some of the books and rhymes we have been enjoying this week)



Please click this link for all our nursery rhyme videos – the children absolutely love them!  
[For parents | Letters and Sounds \(littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk\)](http://littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk)

## Homework

We are sending home (attached with this newsletter) a little birdwatching activity to be completed at home or when out and about. Please remember to talk, talk, talk and help the children to develop vocabulary related to this topic, as well as instilling a love of nature and the outdoors.

Please note; sheets do not need to be returned.

## Important Dates

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2.00**

EYFS, Y1 & Y2 Spring concert all parents welcome.

**Following the Spring Concert, all parents are invited to visit the classroom to look at the children's lovely learning.**